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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 602 By Miller J

A RESOLUTION to honor Mrs. Sandra Rowland on receiving the 2001 Tennessee Municipal League's "Stand By Your Spouse" Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause in its deliberations and honor those esteemed individuals, whose companionship and encouragement serve as an inspiration and comfort for their spouses; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy individual is Mrs. Sandra Rowland, who recently was awarded the 2001 Tennessee Municipal League's "Stand By Your Spouse" Award; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rowland was honored for her unswerving support of her husband,
Mayor Tom Rowland of Cleveland, in his every endeavor; and

WHEREAS, during Mayor Rowland's recent life-threatening illness, Sandra Rowland served as his aide and supporter; her exceptional care and compassion were essential to Mayor Rowland's recovery; and

WHEREAS, she has continued to support him as he has fully returned to his service to the citizens of Cleveland and the people of Tennessee; and

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WHEREAS, a former journalist, Mrs. Rowland served as managing editor of the Cleveland Daily Banner; during her outstanding 20-year tenure as a journalist she won numerous awards and accolades from the Associated Press; and

WHEREAS, she currently serves as Director of Marketing/Communication for Jones Management Services; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rowland is an integral part of the Cleveland community, serving in such organizations as the March of Dimes, the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society, the Civitan Special Olympics and as a Chamber Ambassador; and

WHEREAS, she has also served as Secretary of the American Red Cross and the Cherokee/ Red Clay Association; and

WHEREAS, in addition to serving with these organizations, Mrs. Rowland has worked with Goals 2000, co-chaired Project Pride to prepare the Ocoee River for the 1996 Summer Olympics and co-founded, with her husband, The Empty Stocking Fund; and

WHEREAS, for her outstanding community service, Sandra Rowland has earned numerous awards, including Cleveland's Outstanding Young Woman of the Year Award and Tennessee's Outstanding Young Woman of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Sandra Rowland is an outstanding public servant and a caring and devoted wife, whose life epitomizes the companionship, support, and love that is necessary in a happy and successful marriage; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Mrs. Sandra Rowland upon receiving the 2001 Tennessee Municipal League "Stand By Your Spouse" Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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